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In the Matter of:)	
Distribution of 1998 and 1999)	Docket No. 2001-8 CARP CD 98-99
Cable Royalty Funds)	
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MOTION OF JOINTS SPORTS CLAIMANTS FOR EXTENSION TO DEADLINE FOR FILING REPLY TO PETITIONS TO MODIFY THE CARP'S REPORT

The Office of the Commissioner of Baseball, the National Basketball Association, the National Football League, the National Collegiate Athletic Association, the National Hockey League, and the Women's National Basketball Association (collectively, the "Joint Sports Claimants" or "JSC"), hereby request a two-day extension of the deadline for filing replies to the petitions to modify the CARP's Report. According to the schedule set forth in Section 251.55 of the Copyright Office's rules, 37 C.F.R. § 251.55, petitions to modify the CARP's Report were due on November 4 and replies would be due on November 18. Thus, JSC request that the Copyright Office extend the deadline for replying to petitions to modify to November 20.

In support of this request, the JSC note that their reply must respond to several petitions raising a number of issues with regard to the CARP's report. The Program Suppliers, the Public Television Claimants, the Music Claimants, and the Canadian Claimants each filed petitions for review of the CARP's report raising numerous issues for the Librarian to consider. Each of these petitions seeks an adjustment to the CARP's allocations that, if accepted, would negatively affect the JSC's royalty award. Because the JSC did not file a petition to modify the CARP's report, JSC's reply will be the only

opportunity for the Librarian to hear argument from the JSC as to the CARP's report. Given the number of petitions filed and issues raised, JSC believe that they need a twoday extension to be able to respond fully and fairly in their reply brief. The additional time will help ensure that the Librarian will have before him all relevant facts and considerations necessary for a proper review of the CARP's report.

No party will be prejudiced by the two-day extension requested by the JSC. The Copyright Office's rules do not allow for additional briefs in response to replies; thus, no other deadlines will be affected by the requested extension. Furthermore, we do not believe that the two-day extension will have any adverse effect on the Librarian's review process. By law, the Librarian will have another 60 days before its determination as to whether to accept the CARP's report is due. See 17 U.S.C. § 802(f)

JSC have consulted with counsel for the other Phase I claimants and they have all consented to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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